STATE OF MINNESOTA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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TO: ALL LICENSED INSURANCE COMPANIES WRITING CREDIT INVOLUNTARY UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE IN MINNESOTA

RE: Minnesota Rule Chapter 2761

Pursuant to Minn. Rule 2761.0800, <u>STANDARD PREMIUM RATE CHANGES</u>; <u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE VARIABLE</u>, provides that premium rates for credit involuntary unemployment insurance must be adjusted downward if the state unemployment rate, as found in Table C-2, falls below 3.5% for three consecutive months. Table C-2 is published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics and found in the Employment and Earnings 'Labor Force Status by State Seasonally Adjusted" report.

Pursuant to Mim. Rule 2761.0900 the new factor to be applied to Prima Facie Rates for credit involuntary unemployment insurance is changed from 1.00 to 0.85, effective November 1, 1997.

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